COMPREHENSIVE STOOL ANALYSIS

Date Received: 04/21/2025 Date Tested: 04/22/2025 Sent Method: upload Source: Stool Service No: 83968

Patient: Date of Birth: Sex: Health Practitioner: ND John Arango

Home Phone: Business Phone:

Business/Cell Phone: Facsimile:

History:

Protozoa:

Foreign Travel:

Symptoms: Soft stool, undigested food, bloaitng, gas.

Past Infection /Treatment: Parasites.

Other infected in household:

Intestinal parasites: Normal value = 0 (not marked) Reference range: 0 (negative) - 4 (heavy presence) Specimens fixed and transported in SAF and concentrated using CONSED Reagent System (Alpha Tec, Vancouver, WA)

Entamoeba coli trophozoites cysts E. histolytica / E. dispar cysts trophozoites Entamoeba hartmanni cysts trophozoites Iodamoeba butschili cysts trophozoites Endolimax nana trophozoites cysts Giardia lamblia cysts trophozoites Chilomastix mesnili trophozoites cvsts Balantidium coli trophozoites cysts

Blastocystis hominis Dientamoeba fragilis Trichomonas hominis

1 Cryptosporidium parvum

Isospora belli

Cyclospora cayetanensis

Trematoda (Flukes):

Schistosoma sp.

Fasciola/Fasciolopsis

Paragonimus westermani

Clonorchis/Heterophyes/Metagonimus

Fungi Spores and Common Yeasts:

1 Candida sp. Candida (dividing)

1 Common Yeast Yeast (dividing)

Geotrichum sp.
Kloeckeri sp.
Hyphae

Comments (samples tested at the Nogales facility):

Cestoda (Tapeworms):

Taenia solium/Taenia saginata

Hymenolepis nana
Hymenolepis diminuta
Dipylidium caninum
Diphyllobothrium latum

Nematoda (Roundworms):

Ascaris lumbricoides
Ancylostoma/Necator
Strongyloides stercoralis
Trichostrongylus sp.
Trichuris trichiura
Enterobius vermicularis

Mansonella sp.
Larval Nematode

Other Observations:

Epithelial (squamous) cells Epithelial (columnar) cells

2 Bacteria (normal bacilli)

Undigested Tissue

Charcot-Leyden crystals

WBC RBC
Fatty acid crystals
Starch granules

Pollen

1 Mucus

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

CRYPTOSPORIDIUM PARVUM

Cryptosporidium causes the diarrheal disease cryptosporidiosis and is the second most common protozoan infection in the US. Many species infect humans and animals. Its outer shell allows it to survive outside the body for long periods of time and makes it very tolerant to chlorine disinfection including in surface water treatment plants in the US & Canada. Cryptosporidium may be found in soil, food, water, or surfaces that have been contaminated with the feces from infected humans or animals. Cryptosporidium infections can migrate to respiratory tract and other organ systems. Cryptosporidium is one of the most frequent causes of waterborne disease among humans in the United States, with a considerable number of reported outbreaks.

Transmission: Transmission of Cryptosporidium parvum occurs mainly through contact with contaminated water. Community-wide outbreaks have been linked to drinking municipal water or recreational water contaminated with Cryptosporidium. Transmission can also occur from person to person through oral-anal sexual contact.

Symptoms: Cryptosporidium lives in the intestine of infected humans or animals that shed parasites in the stool by the millions when symptomatic. Symptoms of cryptosporidiosis usually begin 2 to 10 days (average 7 days) after becoming infected with the parasite. The symptoms in order of frequency are watery diarrhea, stomach cramps or pain, dehydration, nausea, vomiting, fever, and weight loss. Some people will have no symptoms. Symptoms usually last about 1 to 4 or more weeks in persons with healthy immune systems but may last much longer if immunocompromised. People with weakened immune systems may develop serious, chronic, and sometimes fatal illnesses in AIDS, Cancer, transplant, and heritable cases. Occasionally, a recurrence of symptoms occurs after a brief period of recovery.

Treatment: Nitazoxanide is recommended for allopathic treatment. Freedom, Cleanse, Restore protocol is recommended for herbal treatment.

Prevention: Avoid drinking unboiled or unpurified tap water and avoid uncooked foods washed with unboiled or unpurified tap water. Avoid oral-anal sexual contact.

CANDIDA

Many species of Candida are harmless commensals of hosts including humans; however, when mucosal barriers are disrupted, the immune system is compromised, or the caprylic acid cycle is disrupted, they can invade and cause disease. Many species are found in gut flora including C. albicans in mammalian hosts, whereas others live in insect hosts.

Clinical significance: Candida is a fungus of worldwide distribution that multiplies proportional to the amount of natural or artificial carbs and sugars in the diet. Diet management is more important in treating Candida infections than the actual treatment itself. The most common species of Candida in the human intestine is C. albicans. When a Candida infection becomes systemic, it becomes much harder to treat. Candida also infects skin surfaces including oral and vaginal mucosa causing thrush and vaginitis. When host conditions are altered, Candida can cause disease in virtually any site where it becomes an indicator of immunosuppression. Among HIV infected individuals as well as those receiving prolonged antimicrobial therapy, thrush manifests as a serious and sometimes disseminated infection producing abscess, thrombophlebitis, endocarditis, or infections of the eyes or other organs (in over 90,000 people a year in the U.S). Women are more susceptible to genital fungal infections then men.

Treatment: Nystatin, Diflucan, Nizoral, or Sporonax are recommended for allopathic treatment. Freedom, Cleanse, Restore protocol is recommended for herbal treatment.

Prevention: Avoid high carb/sugar diets, minimize alcohol consumption, and avoid antibiotics when possible.

COMMON YEASTS

Non-dividing yeasts are usually considered non-pathogenic. Some species of yeast are opportunistic pathogens that can cause infection in people with compromised immune systems including HIV and AIDS patients.

Clinical significance: Cryptococcus sp. is a significant pathogen of immunocompromised people causing the disease termed cryptococcosis. This disease occurs in about 79% of AIDS patients in the USA, and a slightly smaller percentage (36%) in Western Europe. The cells of the yeast are surrounded by a rigid polysaccharide capsule, which helps to prevent them from being recognized and engulfed by white blood cells in the human body. Commensal yeasts are also found the mucus membranes of humans and other warm-blooded animals. While they are usually considered non-pathogenic, sometimes these same strains can become pathogenic. The yeast cells sprout a hyphal outgrowth, which locally penetrates the mucosal membrane, causing irritation and shedding of tissues.

Treatment: Fluconazole is recommended for allopathic treatment. Freedom, Cleanse, Restore protocol is recommended for herbal treatment. Tanalbit, a zinc tannate compound, is also recommended as an herbal alternative.

Prevention: Depending on the species, yeast infections can colonize the respiratory system or intestinal tract becoming systemic. Avoidance of inhaling or ingesting objects/substances contaminated with yeast spores is the best prevention.

BACTERIA NORMAL BACILLI

Bacilli (normal bacteria) is a general term used to describe the morphology of any rod-shaped bacterium. While not all rod shaped bacteria are good, we are reporting on the beneficial rod-shaped bacteria that are in the gut. It is the key in maintaining a healthy immune system.

Clinical significance: At proper levels it helps create energy from the fermentation of undigested carbohydrates and absorption of fatty acids. It also helps prevent the growth of harmful bacteria and fungi such as Candida, regulates the development of the gut, and synthesizes vitamins, especially vitamin K and B. The best reading for this is a level of 3. That indicates a good supply of your pro-flora. A level of 2 is adequate. A level of 1 indicates a low reading, and a level of 4 indicates an overgrowth. Bacterial overgrowth is an indicator of a number of pathologies including IBS, CFS, allergies, arthritis, diabetes, fibromyalgia, and auto-immune diseases. Metabolic substances produced by bacterial overgrowth will compromise absorption causing nutrient deficiencies and food allergies. Overgrowth is usually age related. Older people produce less acid in the stomach and therefore are subject to bacterial overgrowth.

Treatment: If a patient scores a 1 or 2, they should either supplement with a probiotic and/or adjust diet to cut out sugars, starches, and vegetable oils and consume real vegetables, proteins, fats, and fermented foods and drinks. Avoid antibiotics whenever possible as they will deplete all bacteria and enhance the growth of Candida and related fungi that will compete with healthy intestinal flora for food and space. If the patient scores a 4 (overgrowth), institute a low carb diet and use enteric-coated peppermint oil to control unfriendly bacteria that impair friendly bacteria.

MUCUS

Mucus is a natural product of a healthy intestine to protect against biological agents (parasites/bacteria) or chemical (toxins) agents that may compromise the intestinal lining. It functions as a lubricant for materials that must pass over membranes, e.g., food passing down the esophagus. A layer of mucus along the inner walls of the stomach is vital to protect the cell linings of that organ from the highly acidic environment within it. Mucus does not digest in the intestinal tract. Mucus is also secreted from glands within the rectum due to stimulation of the mucous membrane within. Mucus is often found in cylindrical casts confused by many as parasitic worms. It may be detected wrapped around fecal strands or alone.

Clinical significance: The detection of large amounts of mucus in a stool specimen indicates a serious aggravation of the intestine by parasitic or toxic agents.

Note: The Summary of Findings is for practitioner informational purposes only. References to treatment suggestions refer only to common practices and are not to be construed as PCI recommendations for specific individuals. It is incumbent upon practitioners to decide on the treatment that is best for their patient.